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SUBJECT: SOVIET RESPONSE IN BASC ON MARCH 17 SOUTH
CORRIDOR INCIDENT

REF: A.) USBERLIN 718 B.) USBERLIN 636 C.) USBERLIN 548

WE ARE INCLINED TO AGREE THAT SOVIET RESPONSE (REFTEL B)
WAS LESS THAN SATISFACTORY IN THAT IT ADMITTED THE
ESSENTIAL FACTS OF SOVIET MIG FIGHTER AIRCRAFT'S
VIOLATION OF CORRIDOR PROCEDURES, BUT CLAIMED ACTIONS BY
SOVIET AIRCRAFT WERE ACCEPTABLE. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT
NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE TO ESCALATE ISSUE, BUT NEITHER DO
WE WISH TO LET SOVIET STATEMENT STAND WITHOUT SOME REJOINDER
FROM ALLIED SIDE. DEPARTMENT APPROVES THEREFORE USBER
SUGGESTION (PARA 3 REFTEL A) THAT ALLIED MISSIONS DEVELOP
FOR THE RECORD MILD COUNTER TO SOVIET CHIEF CONTROLLER'S
STATEMENT. KISSINGER

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